

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are numbered 1-21. The rejections and comments of the Examiner set forth in the Final Office Action dated August 18, 2004 have been carefully considered by the Applicants. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider and allow the remaining claims.

35 U.S.C. §102 Rejection

The present Office Action rejected Claims 1-3, 6-10, 13-17, and 20-21 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Fletcher et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,138,156). Applicants have reviewed the above cited reference and respectfully submit that the present invention as recited in Claims 1-3, 6-10, 13-17, and 20-21, is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the Fletcher et al. reference.

Independent Claims 1, 8, and 15

Applicants respectfully point out that independent Claim 1, 8, and 15 each recite that the present invention includes, in part:

[A] method for dynamically managing content provided to a mobile device, said method comprising the steps of:

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b) dynamically assessing said information by matching said information against a predefined set

of application-specific tags to determine a type of application to which said information pertains
. . . (Emphasis Added)

The present invention pertains to the dynamic management of network content for a mobile device. In particular, independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 recite that information retrieved from a content provider through a network (e.g., Internet) is selectively filtered to fit the format and capabilities required by a mobile device. Specifically, the information is assessed to determine the type of application to which the information pertains. For example, the information may be an ECommerce application type. The type of application is determined by matching the information against a predefined set of application-specific tags. The predefined set of application-specific tags that are matched define the application type. Once the application type is determined, the information can be filtered to compile desired information which is then forwarded to the mobile device through a network (e.g., from a proxy server that retrieves and filters the information to a mobile device).

Applicants respectfully note that the prior art reference, Fletcher et al., does not comprise nor suggest the present invention that includes assessing the information to determine the application type by matching the information against a predefined set of application-specific tags, as

claimed in independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 of the present invention.

In contrast to independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 of the present invention, the Fletcher et al. reference, discloses a method and system for selecting and applying content reducing filters based on dynamic environmental factors to filter the content being delivered from a server to a user's workstation. Specifically, the Fletcher et al. reference describes content transformation that reduces the size of the data through a transformation that takes into account dynamic environmental factors. The reduced content is returned to the user's workstation in response to a request for web content. As such, the Fletcher et al. reference discloses content reduction through filters that are selected based on environmental factors. However, the Fletcher et al. reference does not disclose any process for determining the application type of the content for determining the filtration process, as in the present invention.

The present invention, on the other hand, discloses a process to determine the application type of the content, which is in direct contrast to the Fletcher et al. reference. More specifically, Applicants respectfully assert that the Fletcher et al. reference does not disclose the present invention in which the retrieved information is assessed to determine the type of application to which the information

pertains. That is, the Fletcher reference does not disclose assessing the information to determine the application type by matching the information against a predefined set of application-specific tags, as claimed in independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 of the present invention.

Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the present invention as disclosed in independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 is not anticipated by the Fletcher et al. reference, and is in a condition for allowance. In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 2-7 which depend from independent Claim 1 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim. Further, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 9-14 which depend from independent Claim 8 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim. Also, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 16-21 which depend from independent Claim 15 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

35 U.S.C. §103 Rejection

The present Office Action rejected Claims 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, and 19 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fletcher et al. Applicants have reviewed the above cited reference and respectfully submit that the present invention as recited in Claims 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, and 19, is neither

anticipated nor rendered obvious by the Fletcher et al. reference.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present invention as disclosed in dependent Claims 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, and 19 are not anticipated by the Fletcher et al. reference since they depend on allowable base Claims 1, 8, and 15, as previously discussed. Specifically, Applicants agree that the Fletcher et al. reference does not explicitly teach determining application-specific tags within the retrieved data content. Moreover, Applicants respectfully assert that the Fletcher reference does not disclose assessing the information to determine the application type by matching the information against a predefined set of application-specific tags, as claimed in independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 of the present invention. As such, dependent Claims 6, 8-12, 16-18, 23 and 24 are in a condition for allowance as being dependent on allowable base claims, 1, 13, and 19.

CONCLUSION

In light of the facts and arguments presented herein, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected Claims.

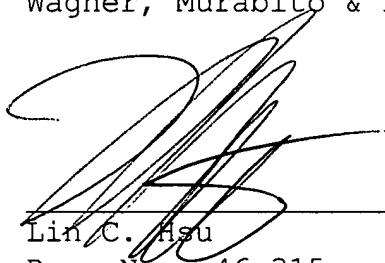
Based on the arguments presented above, Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 1-21 overcome the rejections of record. Therefore, Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of these Claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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